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To Whom It May Concern,

Please allow this letter to serve as a request for a waiver on FCC rule 90-265. Recent attempts to allocate an appropriate low power VHF frequency for our newly added vehicle repeaters, have proven impossible. The vehicle repeater frequency needs maximum spacing from our primary frequency, and those in neighboring communities commonly encountered on the fire ground. In short, no frequencies exist that would not pose a hazard to public safety radio communications due to co channel users. In order to use a frequency for vehicle repeater purposes that will be a clean frequency with the correct technical separation rather than an interference prone frequency we will need this waiver. We have found a frequency that meets the criteria. 170.150 Mhz. We are aware that 170.150 Mhz is reserved for Fire Service within 150 miles of NYC metro area, but we have seen other communities in our area make use of this frequency for the same purpose. We are also aware that lately the FCC has been more strict about granting waivers for this use. Please consider our humble request for a waiver of FCC rule 90-265 on VHF frequency 170.150 Mhz for vehicle repeater purposes.

Sincerely,

Chief Rogers

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